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1991 Crop Circles

From: Linda.Bird@p0.f8.n1012.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Linda Bird)
Subject: Re: FOX Show
Date: 19 Oct 91 23:14:40 GMT

Hi Jim.

Well, heck! As you know, I didn't see that Fox show, but later when I was driving over to see the CUFOS photo exhibit, I thought that maybe, just maybe, a show like this could be useful in getting the subject before the general public. But if it has as many holes as you say,

> They started to do a fairly credible job on the cover-up, and hit on the
> disinformation angle, then they focus on Lazar, who is Disinformation Suspect
> #1. Didn't anyone tell them there IS no Department of Naval Intelligence?
> Fellow ParaNetters, be prepared for an onslaught of inquiries from your
> friends and neighbors who never thought much about UFOs. All of a sudden
> they're gonna be real interested, and that's good, but they're gonna say to
> you, "Hey, what about that Lazar guy?", and that's bad. Because as soon as
> they find out how squirrely his story is, they're gonna be real
> disillusioned, and we may not get them back.
> What a shame.

Then, you are right -- the general public will now scoff at the whole subject. Most people do not have the interest nor time to read volumes of literature, to sort out all the squabbles among ufologists, to JUST WAIT AND SEE what will develop next! They hear of ONE hoax (such as those Two Old Coots in England) and they throw their hands up into the air, and say, "See? It's all a hoax!"

Yet, these same people will blindly believe other things without ever investigating it or listening to an opposing argument. I speak for myself

here who dared to challenge my family's religious beliefs. But that's another story...

Best,

Linda

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Subject: Roswell
Date: 21 Oct 91 02:55:00 GMT

I am new to Paranet, but I have found nothing in this section about Roswell, the most dramatic example of what is happening and the most dramatic example of the government (almost) screwing up. What am I missing?

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Subject: 1991 Crop Circles
Date: 21 Oct 91 03:08:00 GMT

Michael Chorost, Director of North American Circle, P.O. Box 61144 Durham, NC 27715-1144 has just sent me a copy of his latest report entitled _The Summer 1991 Crop Circles: The Data Emerges_, published by the Fund for UFO Research, P.O. Box 277, Mt. Ranier, MD 20712. What follows is extracted from his report.

Marshall Dudley believes he has identified yttrium-88 and bismuth-205 in soil samples taken from the oval formation at Beckhampton, U.K. formed on August 2/3, 1991. These are non-naturally occurring short-lived isotopes, so their presence, once confirmed, will be of great interest. (Y-88's half-life is 107 days; Bi-205's is 15.3 days.) The samples also registered sky-high alpha/beta particle readings of 198% / 45% respectively when compared to control samples. Dudley is a systems engineer for Tennelec/Nucleus of Oak Ridge, TN, and manufactures gas flow counters, which are

instruments designed to detect extremely minute quantities of alpha and beta radiation.

Dr. W.C. Levengood, a biophysicist living in Michigan, specializing in plant and seed development, has also made some remarkable discoveries. One was that the growth nodes on plants taken from within authentic circles had become significantly enlarged when compared to control plants. He hypothesizes that some energy input, possibly heat, caused the cells in those nodes to swell, causing lasting but not fatal damage. Mechanically hoaxed circles did not exhibit the same effect. Secondly, Levengood discovered a high incidence (40%) of seed malformation in plants taken from the Newton St. Loe formation, whereas virtually all control seeds were normal. Thirdly, microscopic examination of the node cells revealed that the pits in their cell walls had become larger and more visible. This is what Levengood hypothesizes would occur if something heated the water inside the cells so rapidly that the cell walls swelled and forced the pits to expand.

Michael also mentions the plasma vortex quintuplet sets that I have observed, photographed/video-taped, and previously posted applicable documentation about on this echo.

There is much more information and substantiation in Michaels report, which I would be happy to share with those interested. Michael's conclusions are summarized as follows:

1) The phenomenon induces radiation anomalies. 2) It appears the plants are heated both rapidly and briefly. 3) Plants are sometimes scorched, particularly grasses. 4) Plant cell walls swell, elongating cell wall pits, leaving "stretch marks". 5) Induced developmental anomalies in seeds. 6) The circles may correlate with aquifers (water saturated rocks such as chalk and limestone) 7) The circles do correlate, at least grossly, with ancient megaliths. 8) The quintuplet may be artificially duplicable. 9) Hoaxes may be able to be distinguished from genuine circles with laboratory tests. 10) Some formations may represent or symbolize known objects. 11) The circles do correlate geographically with some well documented sightings of unidentified luminous aerial objects.

Thanks Michael, for your admirable achievement...Sheldon

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Subject: Basterfield article
Date: 21 Oct 91 03:09:00 GMT

Hi Keith, and many thanks for your article _UFO Abductees and Contactees: Psychopathology or Fantasy Proneness?. I haven't had a chance to read it yet, but will soon, and I'll be back with questions and comments.

In exchange, I am air-mailing to you tomorrow the latest updated analyses of the 1991 crop circle season. I think you'll find the data most intriguing.

Thanks again for your generosity and interest.

Regards,

Sheldon

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Subject: UFO shows
Date: 21 Oct 91 03:10:00 GMT

NEW TELEVISED UFO ABDUCTION ACCOUNT

BROADCAST DATE: Friday, 27-Oct-91
BROADCAST TIME: 9:00 P.M. (EST)
NETWORK: USA (cable)
PROGRAM TITLE: "Beyond Reality"
STARRING: Shari Belafonte

DETAILS: "Ten years ago, Jenny Lambert's mother was abducted by a UFO.
Now, they're back."

COMMENTS: Don't expect too much, folks

CROP CIRCLE SPECIAL

BROADCAST DATE: Sunday, 24-Nov-91
BROADCAST TIME: 9:00 P.M. (EST)
NETWORK: WTBS (cable)

PROGRAM TITLE: "National Geographic Explorer"

DETAILS: Mike Chorost acted as technical consultant. He says it's well done, from an objective perspective.

COMMENTS: Watch it!

--Sheldon=-

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Subject: Roswell
Date: 21 Oct 91 06:27:00 GMT

Ok Steve, go into the files area and read this file "Roswell.upd" under the read a textfile online. That is current or ask around you will get a response on that..

Take Care
Mike Keithly

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Subject: Re: Erol Torun/DMA
Date: 14 Oct 91 20:27:59 GMT

CM> they did their jobs so well. As for the rest of the perenant
CM> Intelligence community, I continue to think that they are potentially
CM> more dangerous to our own liberties than they are to most of our
CM> adversaries.

Naw...just watch the Supreme Court in the coming years ahead, now that Bush has them all sewn up.

Or just look at the particulars of those ramrodded 'Anti-Crime' bills

which will make your 'liberties' looked like Germany of the '30s. :(

...Why blame Spooks? They just follow orders.

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From: Steve.Rose@p0.f134.n109.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Steve Rose)
Subject: Re: Micap
Date: 14 Oct 91 20:31:56 GMT

BJ> Steve,

BJ> Duh, I don't know why he doesn't just call, in fact I believe he does
BJ> occasionally call, but mentioned to mesomething about how neat it
BJ> would be to get the echo 'live'. I am a mere babe in the woods in this
BJ> FIDO, net, stuff.

Live!? After all we do to make Memorex tape BETTER than live?? :-))

BJ> --- RemoteAccess 0.03+

Hey...why the outdated software? Try RA 1.01 or QBBS 2.75 or SBBS 1.12

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Subject: Crop Circles and spontaneous combustion
Date: 21 Oct 91 14:56:15 GMT

From: Robert Trevelyan <rob@aixssc.ibm.co.uk>

Does any one have any information on human spontaneous combustion?

I have just heard the UK BUFORA message number 98 in which Jenny Randles likens the the energy of such strange events to the energy which is associated with the creation of crop circles. She even asked if anyone has any information on spontaneous combustion to contact BUFORA.

I am very interested in this as Jenny Randles has always seemed to have been in the plasma vortex camp, is this a change of heart.

(BUFORA run a recorded message service call UFOcall on 0898-121886)
(usually a load of waffle but sometimes is interesting.)

The Doug and Dave hoax was also mentioned and was claimed to have been started back in about 1976 in Australia and from what I can remember the Tuly incident was claimed by them. We all know that this is rubbish but I am amazed that no-one has challenged D+D yet on this or any of the other claims they have made with no proof.

It looks as if the desired effect has happened, get a couple of people to own up to creating the crop circle phenomenon, blast details of it across the world on the front page of some newspaper, and never come forward with proof. The majority of people who were skeptical about the phenomenon have now dismissed the whole thing as a hoax .

I and many other circle researchers are trying to disprove D+D's claims but it is very difficult to disprove something without exact details of the circles they claim to have created.

To my knowledge D+D have claimed about 200 but there is no list of which two hundred.

The farce continues...

Regards, Robert

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From: Jim.Speiser@p666.f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Speiser)
Subject: Our buddy takes flying lessons
Date: 21 Oct 91 02:50:54 GMT

In a message to All <19 Oct 91 10:37> Jim Graham wrote:

JG> This may be old to most of you, but I have a GIF of Phil Klass performing
JG> a feat completely out of character, available for download from my bbs.

Ah-HA! I'm glad to see my favorite deKlassified photo making the rounds...

Jim

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From: ASTRO.dnet.ge.com!CARR
Subject: Marfa lights/skeptics
Date: 21 Oct 91 17:54:18 GMT

From: Paul Carr <CARR@ASTRO.dnet.ge.com>

I'm passing along the following two messages about the Marfa lights from the Skeptics discussion group.

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Subject: Re: The Marfa Lights
X-To: SKEPTIC%YORKVM1.bitnet@VM.USC.EDU
To: Multiple recipients of list SKEPTIC <SKEPTIC@yorkvm1.GE.COM>

Stan Schwarz writes:

+ Does anyone know anything about the Marfa Lights?

All I could find was the enclosed article, written by amateur astronomer James Long of the Georgia Skeptics, who says he observed the lights. I found the article on a disk circulated by our Network of Local Skeptic Groups about six months ago, and am passing it along without comment. An address for the Georgia Skeptics is appended.

Jim Kutz (aa387@cleveland.freenet.edu)

===== Article by James Long =====

On Sunday of Memorial Day weekend, 1990, Jeff and I (both college graduates with engineering degrees) went to the city of Marfa, Texas, to see the well known Marfa Lights. Several reputable news broadcasts, including the Texas Eight Reporter (a state-wide TV show) are supposed to have mentioned the Lights, but I can't vouch for this.

The Marfa Lights have been reported since the 1880's. Apparently, the majority of the sightings have been along State Highway, a two lane road leading east from the city. The friendly clerk of a rather shabby motor lodge in the city supplied us with directions to the 'viewing area'. This turned out to be a parking lot on the south side of the road, roughly ten miles east of the city. The Texas Highway Department has installed some fifty feet of parking area and a large permanent highway marker, indicating the viewing site.

The country-side there is an extremely flat plain, estimated at the time to be about 20 miles across (see the picture). Rather abruptly, a ring of mountains (probably about two-three hundred feet high) rose around the edge of the plain. The only vegetation on the plain were scrub brush and small cacti, no more than a couple of feet tall. Although visibility across the plain was unblocked and excellent, there was the major disadvantage of completely losing any sense of distance. Therefore, most distances given here are estimates.

^ North =====XXX===== Highway
/ \ %% Viewing stand.
| %% /
| C %% /
| h %%% /
| i %% / Estimated to be about
| n M %% / twenty miles, maybe less.
| a n %% /
| t t %%% /
i s %% %% R - Radio antenna light.
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Jeff and I arrived at the viewing site about one hour before sunset. At that time, there were no cars present, except for mine. We had brought along some dinner, and we cooked it, while waiting for darkness. Well before sunset, at least fifteen cars pulled up and parked. A few people brought chairs, and nearly everyone had binoculars. One middle-aged lady parked immediately beside my car, and shortly afterwards joined us in conversation.

The lady said that she had been at the viewing site the night before, as well, and gave us a few pointers on what to watch for. She pointed out where a red antenna tower light would be seen (not visible at all

in the day-light), and said that the Lights appeared near the tower, and could be seen dimly moving clockwise along the mountain. She also said that some were visible far to the north-west.

About a half hour after sunset, the tower light became visible in the darkness. A few people began questioning aloud if 'that's one of the Lights', but were quickly assured that it was not.

However, within just a few minutes (ten at the most), a bright white (not red like the tower) point of light appeared at the base of the mountains near the tower, and could obviously be seen to move clockwise along the mountains. After about ten seconds, (and already about one third of the way along the mountains) the light disappeared. In less than a minute, another light appeared and repeated the motions of the first.

This turned out to be just the beginning. From then until midnight there was a nearly constant stream of Lights. There were two major patterns visible to the eye. The first pattern was to appear near the southern edge of the mountains (near the tower), and move about halfway to the road and vanish. The second pattern was to appear about two/thirds of the way to the road (or closer), and to stay motionless. With both patterns, however, there was still a wide range of variation. The moving Lights traveled at different speeds (although movement was always easily visible to the eye), whereas the stationary Lights tended to blink on and off at regular intervals, before disappearing.

The Lights themselves appeared about equal in brightness to the tower light (or perhaps somewhat brighter). They never appeared to be anything other than mere points of light. They appeared quite similar to distant car headlights, but were always single to the naked eye. Car headlights eventually were ruled out as a cause, since reports have occurred for over a century. In addition, the map provided to us showed no indication of a road on the near side of the mountain.

The lady beside us provided a great deal of entertainment. She possessed a rather large set of binoculars and kept up a running commentary of the 'antics' of the Lights. Comments, such as, "That one there is now rounding the bush!", and 'It's coming straight at us!' kept us amused for a great deal of the night. With our binoculars, we still could not distinguish any details at that distance.

Jeff and I had been attending the Texas astronomy party, so I had my eight-inch diameter Celestron telescope with me. For over an hour, I was too fascinated by the Lights to even remember the telescope, but eventually I brought it out of the car and set it up. With this telescope, the Lights were resolvable into obvious fuzzy round balls, apparently several feet in diameter.

The telescope verified several observations, and provided several more discoveries. The most significant observation was that the lights truly were all the way to the mountains. The view through the

telescope allowed each viewer to verify that the lights were passing behind rocks and cliffs ON the mountain side. Indeed, many, but by no means most, of the blinking observed was due to a Light passing behind a rock and being eclipsed by it. The light shed from the Marfa Light was more than enough to illuminate the rock wall behind the light. Rocks to the front were obvious from their silhouettes.

A fascinating discovery from the telescope was that several of the balls were doublets. Often, a single light would appear, and about fifteen to thirty seconds later, a second, identical light appeared right beside the first. Indistinguishable with the naked eye, these balls were obvious pairs through the telescope. These balls would then begin varying in brightness, one going dim while the other brightened, and then the first brightening while the second dimmed. After eight to ten cycles, the balls would usually split up, and separate into two naked eye pairs. This easily ruled out car headlights.

One item I found rather disturbing was that whenever another car arrived (people kept arriving for several hours into the night), the watchers already present acted like tour guides for the occult. The newcomers were quickly treated to a lecture by people that had received the same lecture themselves no more than twenty minutes earlier. To my small dismay, Jeff and I fell quite naturally into the 'pro' mode. Having been at the viewing site since before dark, we made a point of describing all we had seen that night. We never, thankfully, went so far as the lady next to us, who eagerly attributed conscious thought to the movements.

About midnight, the lights tapered off and came to a halt. In all, there had been lights nearly constantly visible for about four hours. Rarely was there NOT a light visible, and a good deal of the time, three, four or sometimes five lights were seen at once.

On the ride back to the campsite, we tried to check the distance to the mountains. However, after driving about eight miles, our road turned off to the north. We estimated that we had come less than half way to the mountains.

In short, watching the Lights was fascinating. All of the suggested natural causes were quickly ruled out from their appearances. However, I eventually decided that I really didn't care what caused them. They were pretty to watch, and provided me with my most interesting vacation in years.

James Long, Georgia Skeptics

For further information, contact the Georgia Skeptics through the Astronomical Society of the Atlantic BBS at (404) 985-04-8, or telephone (404) 493-6857 and leave a message as to how you can be contacted, or write:

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I spent the summer of 1976 living with my parents in Midland, Texas. I heard about the Marfa lights from co-workers, and decided to drive down to see them. I only went once and just was there for a few hours, so this isn't a comprehensive observation by any means.

My observations were not at all in accord with those of James Long of the Georgia Skeptics. Now, I may not have been at exactly the same viewing location. I was on the state highway east of Marfa, as was Long. And the view was the same, looking south across a basically flat plain to a range of low mountains many miles away. But I may have been at a different spot on the highway. I just picked a turnoff area on my own, without having received specific directions about any particular place. At that time the lights were mostly a local phenomenon and hadn't received as much publicity as they have now.

The lights I observed differed in two ways from what Long saw. First, they were stationary; and second, they were exactly on the horizon. Each light was white, like a headlight seen from many miles away. But they didn't move. A light would appear, be visible for a minute or two, and then fade away over several seconds. A few minutes later another light would appear at a different spot. Sometimes there might be two or three lights visible at once.

By the horizon, I mean the visual line between the mountains and the sky. That is where all of the lights appeared. There was no way to judge the distance to the lights but it was natural to assume that they came from at or beyond the mountains. They did not appear at the base of the mountains and certainly didn't appear on the plain between the mountains and the road, as the lights Long saw did.

My feeling at the time was that this was an effect of atmospheric refraction, perhaps caused by a layer of warmer or cooler air near the ground. I felt that this was a kind of mirage, in which we were seeing a distant source of light that was being refracted and focussed as it passed grazingly over the mountains.

Because of the fact that the lights lasted a minute or two, and because they are reported to have appeared for over a hundred years, my feeling was that I was seeing focussed starlight. I had also been told that the lights would not appear if it was overcast. Due to the earth's rotation, stars would be continually rising, and at different

times it seemed possible that different stars would be in position to be made visible by an atmospheric effect. Perhaps the topography of the mountains was such that some kind of lensing could occur. Rising stars would then move through the focus points of the many different possible lensing positions along the mountains.

Whether this explanation is correct or not, I am puzzled by the differences from what Long saw. Also, Unsolved Mysteries did a show on the Marfa lights last year, and I felt that what they showed was identical to what I saw. Their lights were stationary and on the horizon. They certainly didn't move and didn't appear partway between the mountains and the roads. I wonder if Long is the victim of some kind of local prank? Either that, or what I saw (and what the people from Unsolved Mysteries saw) weren't the real Marfa lights.

Hal Finney
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Subject: National Geographic special on Crop Circles
Date: 21 Oct 91 19:35:38 GMT

From: Mike Dobbs <miked@hpvclmd.vcd.hp.com>

The National Geographic Society will present a special on the crop circle phenomenon on November 24 at 9pm EST/6pm PST on the cable network TBS or WTBS. The NGS did considerable filming of the crop circles this past summer. Those of you who subscribe to National Geographic magazine will find that they are advertising this show on the slip cover for the issue that was sent out last week.

Mike Dobbs / Internet: miked@vcd.hp.com

From: Jim.Dritsas@p0.f605.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Dritsas)
Subject: Hello!
Date: 22 Oct 91 06:55:00 GMT

Hello there everyone! I am a new user here, and I would just like to introduce myself! I am calling a little north of the border, from Toronto, Ontario (CANADA). Anyways, I'm glad to be a member, it looks like a spectacular system.

Well, now the only thing that would be nice was if I lived in Colorado, so I didn't have to pay any long distance charges!

Well, gotta go, running out of time! See you all later!

Jim D.

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SW> Ridge, TN, and manufactures gas flow counters, which are
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SW> and beta radiation.

Is this the same Marshall Dudley who wrote the program "DoorWay"? He also lives in Tennessee... Interesting, I just spoke with him on the phone.

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How were they able to tell the difference between "real" and mechanically hoaxed circles?

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SW> documented sightings of unidentified luminous aerial objects.

SW> Thanks Michael, for your admirable achievement...Sheldon

Sounds very interesting, and finally, something solid along the lines of "changes in cell structure!"

Jim

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